

# Upgrading Oregon State's Multidirectional Wave Basin for Remote Tsunami Research

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## Project Goals

Develop experimental facility for tsunami research community

**Leverage existing wave research facility**

**Expand capacity to tsunami waves and 3-D bathymetry**

Enhance effectiveness of tsunami researchers

**Reduce requirement for on-site presence**

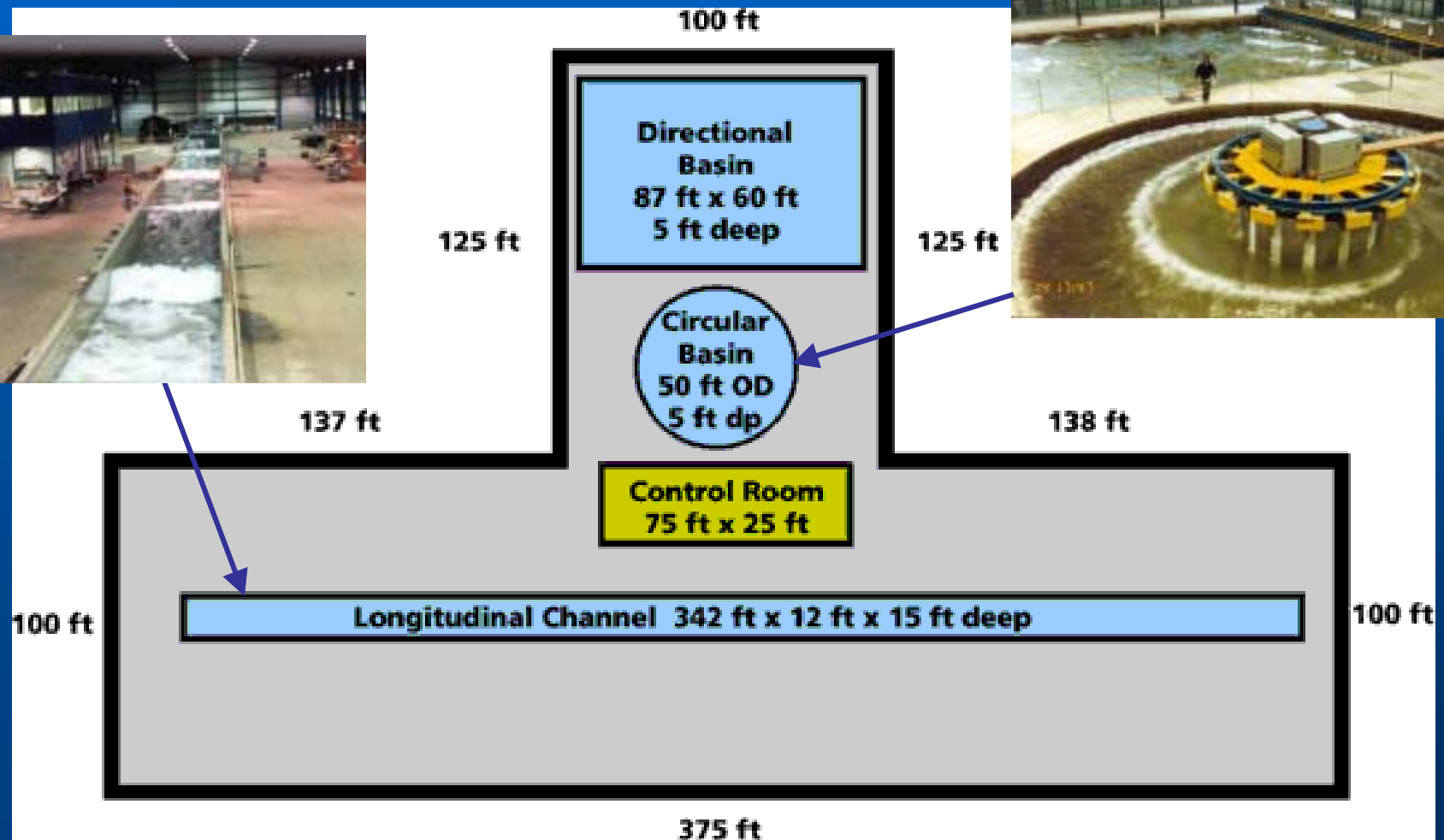
**Facilitate re-use of previous experimentation**

**Support integration of simulation and experimentation**

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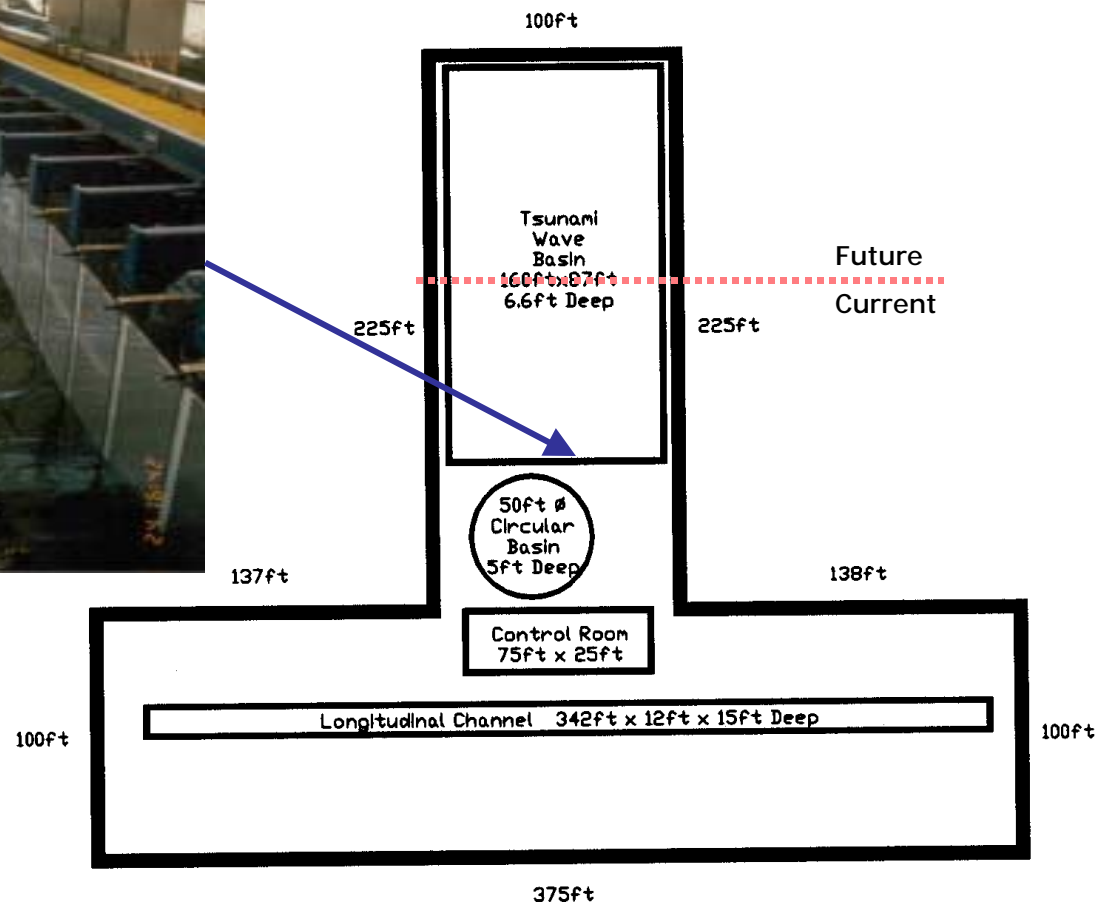
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# Wave Research Laboratory





# Tsunami Wave Basin Expansion





## Facility Dimensions and Generator Capacity

- **Existing Basin**

Length : 87 ft

Width : 60 ft

Depth : 5 ft

- **Updated Basin**

Length : 160 ft

Width : 87 ft

Depth : 6.6 ft

- **Existing Generator**

Stroke : 3 ft

Velocity : 1.6 ft/sec

Tsunami Height : 0.7 ft

- **Updated Generator**

Stroke : 6.6 ft

Velocity : 6.1 ft/sec

Tsunami Height : 2.6 ft



## Instrumentation

- Electro-resistive wave gauges
- Doppler velocimeters
- Pressure gauges
- Accelerometers
- Force transducers
- Laser, radar
- Surface/underwater cameras
- Microphones
- Hydrophones

## Sampling Rates

- 100 channels @ 100 Hz for 100 seconds (wave profiles, velocities)
- 20 channels @ 5 kHz for 10 seconds (impact pressures, forces, motion)
- 10 video channels @ 10M pixels @ 30 Hz for 100 seconds (6 surface and 4 underwater cameras)
- 4 audio channels @ 50 kHz for 100 seconds (microphones, hydrophones)

## Vision of Future Operation

- Host web-based forum on tsunami research world-wide, status of state-of-the-art numerical models (e.g., FE, FD, BE, MAC, Hybrid) and codes development
- Host database of existing tsunami experiments
- Collaborate/facilitate potential PIs planning and design of experiments
- Build lab models and conduct tests at Tsunami Basin
- Real-time interaction with PIs and research community during model tests
- Provide web-based forum for post-test calibration of various simulation models with experimental results including graphical comparison and animation



## Envisioned Tsunami Basin Experiments

- **Scale Effects in Tsunami Runup and Velocity Measurements**
  - Reynolds Number : Viscosity
  - Finite Amplitude : Convective Accelerations
- **Macro-Roughness Effects on Tsunami Behavior**
  - Wave Attenuation : Natural and Constructed Roughness
  - Debris Flow : Motion Initiation and Debris Concentration
- **Tsunami Wave Forces on Structures**
  - Small Structure Force Coefficients : Lift, Drag, Inertia
  - Large Structure Diffraction



## Envisioned EQE Collaborative Experiments

- **Example : Oil storage tank research**
  - Foundation liquefaction and damage using NEES centrifuge
  - Tank damage from earthquake using NEES shake table
  - Tsunami impact forces using NEES tsunami basin
  - Tank buckling using NEES reaction-wall facility
  - Resultant oil spill flow pattern using NEES tsunami basin
  - Real-time collaborative simulation and experimentation linking all of above NEES facilities



# Networking Plan

## Wave Research Lab

Data acquisition  
Audio/video capture  
Temporary caching

**Campus  
Router**

**Internet2  
Cloud**

## NACSE

Data filtering and conversions  
Archive: Tsunami Experiment Database  
Web-based access to audio/video  
Web-based access to Experiment Database  
Remote access toolkits

# Key to NEES Program Success

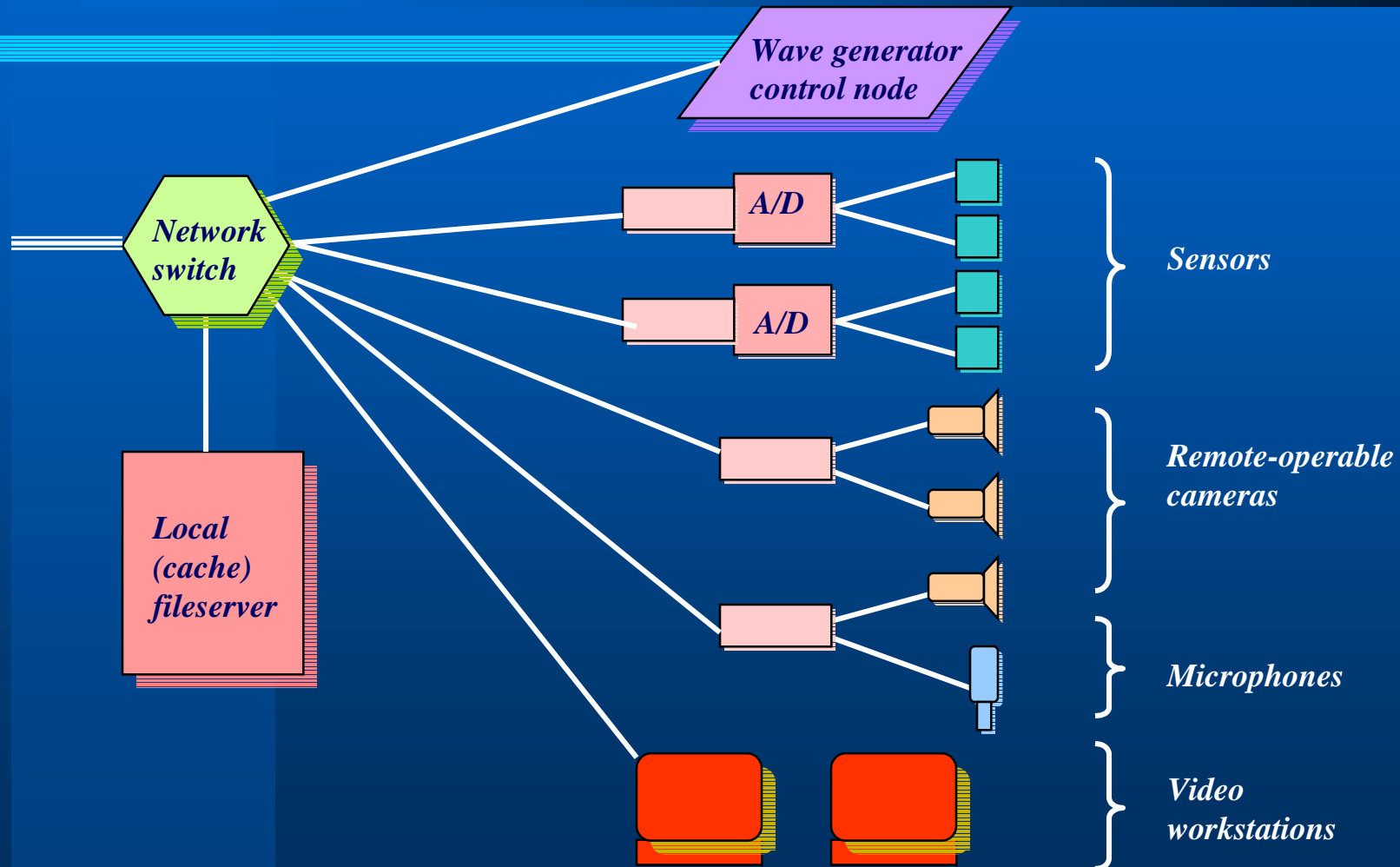
## ● Technical Issues

- Experimental facility fulfilling physical requirements of earthquake engineering research community
- Network architecture supporting real-time audio/video communication and data transfer among host and client institutions
- Usability engineering : ease of use by non-experts

## ● Management Issues

- Real-time/off-line host-client efficient interaction protocols
- User fee establishment (community and legal requirements)
- Stable funding support for technical personnel, periodic maintenance and equipment upgrade
- Protocols for timely dissemination of experimental results to PI's, research community and general public

# At the WRL



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